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Introduction

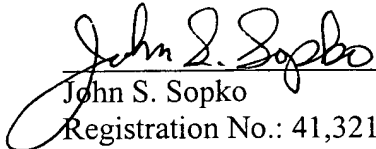
The examiner indicated that claims 1, 2 and 5-30 contained allowable subject matter. Independent claim 3 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 5. Claim 5 has been cancelled. Claims 6 and 7 have been amended for antecedent basis following the cancellation of claim 5. Following these amendments, claims 1-4 and 6-30 are pending.

Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-4 and 6-30 are patentably distinct. This application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Favorable action thereon is therefore respectfully solicited.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments concerning the above, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number given below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-2461. Such authorization includes authorization to charge fees for extensions of time, if any, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 and also should be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in this reply or any future reply pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.

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